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## Fair Premium List Is Issued

The premium list for the Jackson County Fair and Fruit Show in Medford, September 8 to 11, has just been issued and contains many new and interesting features and good premiums on everything. Two of the new free features will be the relay race for lady riders two and a half miles each day, changing horses every half mile, for a purse of \$250, and the ball game between Medford and Klamath Falls every afternoon for a purse of \$300. There will also be races for Jackson county steppers and gallopers, pony, hitchup and other races.

The premiums on fruit are larger than offered at the state fair and it will pay every fruitgrower to look them up.

The educational department this year will be one of the interesting features of the fair. There will be special school exhibits from the various schools over the county, with individual and special exhibits. Children, look up this department.

On Friday all children in the county enrolled in the schools will be admitted free.

The premiums on stock, poultry, agricultural products, ladies' domestic fine arts, culinary and other products, floriculture, manufacturing, mining, etc., are all liberal and are worthy of your careful inspection.

Get a premium list at once and help make this fair the biggest of all. List can be had by addressing S. I. Brown, secretary, Medford.

## Ussher's Brother Wounded at Van

W. W. Ussher of this city has received word that his brother's wife has been killed at Van, Turkey, and that his brother, C. D. Ussher, was lying in a hospital badly wounded.

The revolt of the Armenians was due to a demand of the Turkish government for 3000 Armenian recruits to be sent to the front in the present European enrollment, the inability of Van to supply them, and the harsh measures taken by the government to enforce its demands. Dr. Ussher accepted the futile office of intercessor between the two.

Discussing the situation, press dispatches say: "The 600-year reign of the Turk has been brought to an end, for the present at least, in both the town and vilayet of Van, which have passed under Russian rule, following an Armenian revolt. The vilayet of Van has an area of about 15,000 square miles, with a population of several hundred thousand.

"Hostilities began April twentieth with rifle and cannon fire on the business center and Armenian quarter. Fifteen Armenian riflemen, reinforced at times by 1500 youths armed with pistols or hand grenades, manned eighty barricaded houses, connected by trenches and mud walls. Ammunition was scarce, but Professor Menassian Effendi, head of the Normal School and a graduate of Yale's Sheffield School of Science, cleverly transformed such chemicals as were at hand and manufactured smokeless and black powder, while mechanics turned brass cartridge shells. Menassian's boys' band heartened the fighters with continual music. Women and children carried ammunition and food and water. Fourteen-year-old Neville Ussher and his recently organized boy scouts did heroic service in extinguishing fires, reporting and carrying sick and wounded and enforcing sanitary regulations among 4000 Armenian refugees, who were overcrowding the mission.

"All the American missionaries worked ceaselessly and effectively. Miss Caroline Sullivan organized and took charge of a hospital annex for cases of measles. Miss Gertrude Rogers and Miss Elizabeth Ussher helped Miss Bond, superintendent of the hospital, where there were always 150 patients for a fifty-patient capacity. Mr. Yarrow discharged a multitude of administrative duties, assisted by Mrs. Yarrow and Mrs. J. C. Reynolds, the veteran of the station, having lived there fortyfour years without slackening energy or enthusiasm. Besides these there were, as sharers of the dangers and toils of the siege, the eight children of the Usshers and Yarrow and Miss Knapp, a visitor from the Bitlis mission.

"In spite of the day and night bombardment from the imposing fort-

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## Daredevil Stunt Shown at Lyric

Irving Cummings, daredevil among leading men, has rarely done a more thrilling stunt than that shown in "The Lure of the Mask," the four-part Mutual Masterpicture founded upon Harold MacGrath's celebrated and popular novel. In this drama Cummings, as the Prince Monte Bianca, rides madly along the cliff road, closely pursued by Giovanni. The two collide. The prince is stabbed and tumbles to the ground. The audience, viewing the picture, holds its breath, for the fall was a hard one. A moment later, however, Giovanni dismounts and kicks the body over the cliff, where it hurtles down the fifty-foot declivity to the sand that fringes the shore. "The Lure of the Mask" will be shown at the Lyric theatre on Sunday and Monday evenings.

## Boxing Contest Fast and Clean

The ten-round boxing contest held at the armory Tuesday night, between "Brud Shamrock" and "Young" Eaton, the former of Seattle and the latter of Ashland, was a good exhibition of clean, fast boxing. Eaton carried off the honors of the contest, as he succeeded in destroying Shamrock's energy the first round, by delivering to him a sound rap under the ear.

While the crowd was poor, all declared it to have been a fine contest, and all are loud in their praises of both boxers, though Eaton is generally recognized to be much the faster of the two.

The fight was characterized by its clean playing, and there was no hitting in the clinches, which always broke clean. The third hit Eaton landed on Shamrock in the first round sapped the latter's energy so that the former had him where he wanted him through almost every round. Shamrock was game to the last, however.

In two weeks the two young fellows will fight again at Gold Hill, and there the ability of the two will be finally shown. Shamrock wants another try at it, and at Gold Hill they are going in for all they are worth, in a fifteen to twenty round contest.

The preliminaries between Burnette and Kitchen came out just about a draw, but were exceedingly snappy and interesting.

## Forest Fires Do Much Damage

Forest fires are very numerous, owing to the hot weather of the past week. Fire destroyed some 200 acres of good timber southeast of the Sterling mine Sunday afternoon, only taking a period of four hours to do its destruction. A high wind was responsible for its rapid spread. A great many men were rushed from Medford to the scene, and it was under control within a few hours. Fire-fighters were paid at the rate of 25 cents an hour from the time of hiring.

A big fire was reported in the Butte Falls district last Monday but is well controlled at present.

West of Talent a small fire started on the mountain, but was soon checked. On the south side of the Siskiyou, along Foothills and Evans creeks, fires have been raging. The Cow Creek canyon country is also suffering.

Not only forest fires have been reported, however, for a big grass fire got a good start on the east side of Bear creek about three miles north of Ashland last Friday. Many fire-fighters worked at it to keep the flames from taking fences and homes, and as a result only a half mile of fence on the Louis Werth place was burned up. It really resulted in a great deal of good, for it destroyed a great deal of foxtail seed and burned off a lot of poison oak.

Classes at St. Mary's Academy, Medford, Ore., will reopen September 7. Both boarders and day pupils are received. Full high school course. Individual attention in primary and grammar grades. Exceptional advantages in art, music, china painting and modern languages. Excellent commercial course. For particulars address Sister Superior. 27-4t

Peaches 25 cents a basket at 147 Manzanita street. 27-2t\*

## Electric Light Bonds Are Overwhelmingly Defeated

Yesterday's election went hard against the proposed contract with the California-Oregon Power Company, when the voters of the city turned down the proposition by a vote of 205 for and 559 against. Only about one-third of the voting force of the city made use of their franchise. Vote by wards is as follows: First, 40 for and 236 against; Second, 98 for and 149 against; Third, 67 for and 174 against.

The rather low tide of financial conditions and the knowledge that the city was already bonded for quite a sum, together with the \$700 minimum clause in the contract with the California-Oregon Power Company, were responsible for the turning down of the proposal.

So many people did not know about the electric light affairs, and did not care to inform themselves, with the result of staying away from the polls, that this was a big factor in their defeat.

While the general degree of election excitement was rather wanting during the day, yet hot and stormy discussions took place. Predictions during the day generally pointed to the defeat of the bonds.

Last Monday evening a mass meeting was held at the Chautauqua building, at which about 150 were present. Mayor Johnson opened the meeting, and then gave the floor to Mr. Ware of the electric light committee, who proceeded to explain the different phases of the situation, bringing forth the need of more current, and the lack of a reserve supply of current should the present plant become disabled through accident or lack of water in the creek. Mr. Ware stated that the council was unanimous in their wish to adopt the contract proposal with the California-Oregon Power Company, and that they looked forward to the passing of the bonds.

He stated that the cost of building an auxiliary plant lower down the creek would be some \$50,000, being

\$25,000 for a reservoir on the top of Crown hill and \$25,000 for the plant itself.

He showed that the city had been furnishing current to motor users for 1/2 a cent per kilowatt hour, which cost the city 1.5 to produce. He further showed that the city had been losing on the heating rate. All this from the competition. He produced the tentative contract with the company, which provided for the sale of current to the city, so that current could be sold for heating and motive power at a profit.

A question was asked concerning meters, and it was developed that there was a great deal of waste in the city, and that, should competition be eliminated, meters could be universally installed in the city, thereby making rates cheaper for almost everybody and eliminating the present proposition of one person paying for another's waste.

He stated that the power company had a business of some \$1,100 per month, which would be turned over to the city naturally with the surrender of the business here.

Toward what seemed to be the end of the meeting Mr. Flynn of the Rogue River Public Service Corporation asked for the floor, adding with some heat a personal address to Mr. Ware that the Public Service Corporation had not had a square deal. Mr. Ware replied with a flat denial of everything, together with Mr. Flynn's right to speak. Before seating he managed to get a few words in edgewise, purporting that his company's rates were cheaper, at which Mr. Malone took the part of the California-Oregon Power Company and succeeded in delivering a short address before being requested not to start a free-for-all. Mr. Blanchard, attorney for Mr. Flynn, gave a short address, but was ruled down by the chairman, Mr. Ware.

The meeting broke up very peacefully at about 11 o'clock.

## Advertising Stunt Makes Hit

The publicity department is sending copies of the new glass of water booklet to all the commercial organizations of Washington, Oregon and California. The following letter from the secretary of the Bellingham Chamber of Commerce of Bellingham, Wash., indicates something of the impression this new piece of advertising literature is making wherever it is sent:

"We are just in receipt of your letter of the 21st, enclosing a glass of Ashland mineral water, and wish to say it is a very unique way of advertising what you have. It is gotten up in splendid style and should bring you a lot of good hard dollars—what we are after these days. Same has been placed on our reading table, and will surely attract attention.

"With best wishes for your organization and city, we wish to remain, Sincerely yours,

"BELLINGHAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.  
(Signed) "W. H. Campbell, Sec."

## Ashland Is Made Validating Point

In accordance with the Southern Pacific's promises to get behind Ashland in the springs deal, Ashland has been made a validating point for transcontinental tickets. This makes Portland, Ashland and Eugene the only validating points in the state of Oregon. This means that tourists can stop at Ashland, have their tickets validated and go east direct without stopping at Portland or San Francisco.

Mr. Kramer, local agent, has been appointed the agent for the Transcontinental Passenger Association, and will attend to the work of validation.

Dr. F. G. Swedenburg and family, accompanied by Miss Ehnander, daughter of the late Swedish publisher of Chicago, motored to Crater Lake last Friday and Saturday, making the return trip from the lake on Sunday. Miss Ehnander has been paying a short visit to Mr. and Mrs. Swedenburg on her way to the expedition.

## Funeral Services Of Delbert Bailey

Thursday morning nearly a half hundred friends and relatives climbed the high hill to the home on the new scenic drive of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bailey to attend the funeral of their eldest son, Delbert James, who died August 17, aged 22 years, from quick consumption brought on by exposure last March while driving horses through the mountains in a blizzard. The services were conducted by Rev. A. R. Blackstone, pastor of the Baptist church of Ashland, who preached a short sermon from the twenty-third Psalm and other Scriptural texts. He spoke feelingly of the kindness of the one who had passed away, who was thoughtful of others even in his last days of suffering. "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" and "Beautiful Isle" were sung by a chorus. The casket was covered deep with beautiful flowers and after the ceremony the body was borne to its last resting place in Hargadine cemetery.

## Outing Party Is Very Successful

F. D. Wagner and family, Mrs. J. M. Wagner, Mrs. Case and Carroll Wagner, and Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Carter are camping near Deadwood, about twenty-five miles from here.

The party has had the good fortune to secure so far a three-point buck and a brown bear. This report came in last Friday and by this time no doubt they have added to the number. Mr. Carter and Mr. Wagner motored in for supplies last Friday, to stay the rest of this week.

Besides having good luck at hunting, Mr. Carter reported that they had picked some sixty quarts of huckleberries and are going to have a big enough supply to furnish them with huckleberry pie for the rest of the year.

The total attendance at Crater Lake this year, up to August 19, is 50 per cent larger than last year. The total attendance to that date was 7,255. In 1914 only 4,823 had visited Crater Lake by August 19.

## Hunters Secure Six Big Deer

On the opening day of the hunting season for deer, six were killed by Ashland parties. Among those that were lucky were N. M. Long, Professor Milam, Walter Hash, the Wagner-Carter party and Peachey. Walter Hash got a six-point buck and all the others were quite large. The Dead Indian country seems to be the best hunting territory.

The list of accidents has already begun to enlarge, as one party has already been killed and another injured by hunters' bullets. A man by the name of Hoover was killed by his brother near Klamath Lake Springs, the brother firing at what seemed to be a moving animal in the brush, and instantly killed his own brother. Another man, whose name is not reported, was brought to Medford the opening day of the season with a bullet through his thigh.

## The Beautiful Hazel Dawn

Hazel Dawn, the queen of the musical comedy stage, who charmed an enthusiastic Ashland audience some time in the past, in "One of Our Girls" will make her second screen appearance at the Vining in the delightful comedy, "Niobe," which made such a decided hit in Portland last week. The play "Niobe" will be shown Friday evening, August 27, and will appear one night only.

In film form the story is one of the most ingenious and amusing ever produced on the screen. The central theme relates to a marble statue that is suddenly brought to life, and that finds itself, or herself (for the statue is none other than Niobe) in the presence of Peter Amos Dunn, a life insurance president, who has brought the statue to his home for safe-keeping. Mr. Dunn is a married man, and when Mrs. Dunn discovers an extremely attractive and beautiful woman skating about in her home, arrayed in abbreviated costume of the vintage of 900 B. C., she makes a terrific howl. Mr. Dunn's deliverance from the frightful dilemma he is thus placed in is effected in a very novel and mirth-provoking manner.

Money to Loan.  
Address Box 202, Ashland, Ore.  
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## Irrigation Is Urged at Meeting

Tuesday night a meeting was held in the rooms of the Commercial Club to discuss and urge farmers and landowners to get behind the movement for irrigation.

C. M. Thomas of Talent addressed the club and spoke convincingly of the necessity of water for irrigation, and the increase in profits to farmers that such irrigation would bring.

There was a small attendance, but those who were there were a bunch of boosters that counted for more than a hundred half-interested people. The past dry season, with its damage to crops, has convinced farmers of the necessity of plenty of water for irrigation. It has been demonstrated that three crops of alfalfa are easily possible with water, and that without not more than one or two crops are available.

Stephen Mather, assistant secretary of the interior, spent Tuesday in the valley looking it over with a view to securing data on which to ask for government aid. He gave the irrigation committee encouragement.

## Henderson to Leave Today

County Pathologist M. P. Henderson left for Utah today to take his position in the Brigham Young University at Provo. Professor Kraus of O. A. C. having refused to take the position, the committee of the Farmers' and Fruitgrowers' League have decided to retain W. J. Gentner, Professor Henderson's assistant, in the position at present and until a permanent pathologist is secured. Mr. Gentner has had excellent training, is familiar with local conditions, and will be quite competent to handle the work through the fall and winter.

"The Gows" are coming! 22-1t

## Interesting Big Men In Ashland

The publicity department has mailed fifty copies of the Tidings of August 19, containing a reprint of an article on "Ashland's Plan of Civic Development" that was written for the Oregon State Grange Bulletin by the manager, to prominent men in various parts of the United States. These were sent to the officers of the Southern Pacific Company and to presidents and general passenger agents of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railways.

The manager of the department is a firm believer in the value of personal contact in advertising. During the next few weeks he expects to send out hundreds of personal letters to prominent men in various parts of the country, calling their attention to our development work and sending them a copy of the glass of water booklet. This work will bring Ashland and its resources in a most direct way to the attention of the class of people we want to interest in our city as a resort. The manager has a very wide acquaintance with railroad officials, with whom he has come in contact at the big eastern land shows, and he plans to use that acquaintance in exploiting Ashland as far as possible. Personal letters, containing copies of the booklet, will be sent to the editors of newspapers all over the northwest. In this way our advertising material will be laid on the desks of prominent men in a manner that can not fail to attract their attention to all that we are doing to make our city rank with the best resorts of the country.

## Palmerlee On Ashland's Resources

Another of Ashland's resources—overlooked and abused and neglected these many years—is none other than the mountain highway to Crater Lake, the "Dead Indian Road." Not a name of beauty nor an attractive one to be sure, but the road itself is far from being what the name would suggest.

Why not use what we have—not only because we have it, but because it is the best there is? Why hesitate to do what we know needs to be done, what everyone wants done, and a thing we can afford?

Germany can build miles and miles of paved road to get a forty-two centimeter gun in place to destroy life and beauty. For a small sum we can build a road to new life and beauties that Germany can not buy at any price.

If a man knew there was a pearl buried in his back yard he would get a shovel and get busy. "The Lake of the Woods" is a pearl six miles over the county line, nestled among the mountains with old Mount McLaughlin, snow-capped and majestic, in the background. This lake is about two miles long by three-fourths mile wide, of clear clean water, ideal for boating, bathing and fishing. It is surrounded by thousands of acres of luscious huckleberries, no finer fruit in the world, no finer place to camp while picking them. The writer would make the whole trip for a single huckleberry pie, such as mother tried to make.

Just go after the road, then those huckleberries, fish, deer, bear, grouse, mountain quail, ducks, geese, and best water in the world, pure air for a couple of weeks, then back to work with the wrinkles all ironed out, youth renewed and a feeling that life is not such a drudgery after all. I pity some of you who don't know what a good time is, when the universe and your very front yard are full of it.

The Commercial Club propose to build the first unit of this road which runs from the Jackson-Klamath line to Lake of the Woods. This can be done at a much less expense than most people think. The soil is a natural roadbed, the principal work being to remove the rocks and stumps. There are no heavy grades to climb and no expensive grading to be done. And yet this road from Ashland to Crater Lake is not excelled in Southern Oregon for scenic beauty, no other road can be built and maintained at so little expense, no other road affords such excellent camping places or better hunting and fishing.

Passing Lake of the Woods and going via Pelican Bay through the great upper Klamath Basin to Crater Lake is the shortest road we have to that great attraction.

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